

COLLEYVILLE BASEBALL ASSOCIATION
SPRING 2009 ALL-STAR COACH / PLAYER SELECTION PROCESS

Date	Action	Responsible Party(ies)
4/26/09 Sunday, by 6:00 PM)	Coaches submit their interest in coaching an all-star team to their age group commissioner and the CBA commissioner via e-mail.	Interested league coaches
5/1/09 (Friday, by 6:00 PM)	Coaches from each team in the league submit names of players interested in playing all-star baseball during the summer months to their age group commissioner.	All recreational league coaches (6U – 13/14U only) Parents of Interested Players
5/4/09 (Monday, times TBD)	Meetings will be held for all coaches in each age group to determine: (a) all-star coaches, and (b) players for each team. Teams will be formed at these meetings pursuant to the process outlined below.	All recreational league coaches (6U – 13/14U only) Age Group Commissioners CBA Commissioner
5/5/09 (Tuesday)	All-star players are informed of which teams they will be participating on during the summer.	Selected all-star coaches

All-Star Player Selection Process (to be conducted on 5/4/09, names submitted on 5/1/09)

- Each coach will submit an unlimited number of players interested in playing all-star baseball to the age-group commissioner. These players, and their parents, will have received a letter from the CBA outlining the general commitment expected from all-star players and will have understood the expected commitment. The CBA will furnish this letter to all coaches on 4/21/09.
- Players placed in this pool will not be able to choose the coach they play for during the all-star season.
- Once the age-group commissioner receives the list of players from each coach, the composite list of players will be distributed to all league coaches.
- At the coaches meeting, all players will be discussed among the coaches (or their representative assistant). After discussion, the players will be ranked by each team coach (or their representative assistant), from 1 to n , with n being the total number of players in the all-star pool. A ranking of “1” would indicate the best player in the pool, and players would be ranked downward from that point. Each team will have one ballot.
- Before the ballots are tabulated, players’ rankings from their own coach will be eliminated. For instance, in a six-team league, “Player A” would only receive five scores because the score attributed to him from his own coach would not be considered.

- Please note a ballot example:

	Player Rankings						Total ¹	Rank ²
	Coach A	Coach B	Coach C	Coach D	Coach E	Coach F		
A Player 1	1	2	3	2	5	6	18	1
A Player 2	2	3	4	3	6	7	23	2
B Player 1	3	4	5	4	7	8	27	3
B Player 2	4	5	6	5	8	9	32	5
C Player 1	5	6	7	6	9	10	36	6
C Player 2	6	7	8	7	10	11	41	9
D Player 1	7	8	9	1	11	12	47	11
D Player 2	8	9	10	8	12	1	40	8
E Player 1	9	10	11	9	1	2	41	9
E Player 2	10	11	12	11	2	3	47	11
F Player 1	11	12	1	12	3	4	39	7
F Player 2	12	1	2	10	4	5	29	4

¹ Excludes their own coach's ranking.

² In the event of a tie, the number of highest ratings will determine the higher ranked player (excluding his own coach's ranking). In this scenario, D Player 1 would have the higher ranking due to his lone 1st place vote. E Player 2's highest ranking was 2nd.

- Once the ballots are tabulated, the players will be ranked in order of total score, lowest to highest.
- Players will be placed on teams by ranking.
- Players ranked 1-10 will be assigned to this team. The same process will be used for subsequent team formation (11-20 for team 2, and so on).
- Each coach will be allowed to select one (1) player from the remaining pool once their first ten players are given to them. The head coach's son is a protected player on his team, so the total number of players on each team is twelve (12).

All-Star Coach Selection Process

- Coaches will submit an e-mail to their age-group commissioner and the CBA commissioner no later than 4/26/09 indicating their interest in coaching an all-star team.
- The number of coaches selected will be determined by the number of players expressing interest in playing all-star baseball. A minimum of eleven (11) players (total, including the head coach's son) will be necessary for one team, and team numbers will be increased proportionately for each eleven (11) player increment.
- Coaches will be selected by all age-group coaches at the 5/3/09 meeting by secret ballot, from 1 to n , with n being the number of coaches on the ballot. Those receiving the lowest aggregate score from the voting will be ranked from least to highest, with the least aggregate score coach being the coach of the first team.

General Questions / Answers

- How many coaches (or teams, said another way) will be selected?
 - It depends upon how many players express an interest in playing. For each eleven (11) players expressing interest, there will be a team available. Subject to that, if there are

not a sufficient number of coaches who express an interest in coaching, the number of teams formed will be limited to the number of coaches expressing an interest.

- Will there be a fee to play all-star baseball?
 - From the CBA, no. However, there will be several fees associated with playing tournament baseball as well as new uniform costs that will be borne by the families on the team. Tournaments usually cost approximately \$400 to enter and uniform costs vary wildly depending on the selections made by the team. In general, the per-player financial commitment can run from around \$200 to over \$500 depending on the number of tournaments played and the quality of the purchased uniform.
 - Each player's family will be asked to complete an information form and submit a check for \$100 payable to the CBA along with that form to their coach prior to the all-star selection meeting. This \$100 payment is fully refundable for those players not selected to play on an all-star team. For those players selected to play all-star baseball, the CBA will remit a payment to the head coach of each team representing the eleven (11) payments of \$100 to the CBA to be used at the head coach's discretion.
- Will practice space be allocated to CBA all-star teams?
 - Yes. We will allocate practice field space at Reagan Park and other locations similarly to the recreational season. There will be more space available at Reagan Park.
- Will CBA all-star teams be covered by CBA insurance?
 - Yes. All-star coaches will be provided with a copy of the CBA's insurance policy before play begins. There is no charge for this insurance coverage.
- Will all-star teams need to register with USSSA or other governing organizations?
 - Most likely, yes. These processes are usually simple and guidance can be provided by the CBA at any time.
- Will medical release forms be needed during all-star play?
 - Yes. The most convenient thing to do is to have each player re-print a spring registration form from the CBA website, sign it, and bring it to the first practice.
- Can our teams play in PONY tournaments?
 - Yes, but that determination needs to be made no later than 5/10. The CBA is required to go through a lengthy process in order to register the league and its teams in PONY. This is subject to availability and approval by PONY Baseball.
- Are there enough tournaments available to play in that warrants the formation of an all-star team?
 - In our opinion, yes. Again, CBA staff can assist the coaches with identifying available tournaments appropriate for each team's level of play.
- Do all-star teams have to play in all-star tournaments only?
 - No. We believe "AA" tournaments are appropriate for all-star teams, as well.
- Can a head coach pick their own assistant coaches and protect players?
 - Assistant coaches may be chosen after players are placed on teams. No players may be protected. The son of the chosen head coach(es) are automatically on the team.
- Is there a scenario whereby players expressing an interest in playing all-star baseball could be left off a team?
 - Yes. If there are more players who express an interest in playing than there are coaches available, this could occur.
- Could the number of players on each team be increased from eleven (11)?

- Yes. That would be a coach / age group commissioner decision that would be left to them at the team formation meeting. No fewer than eleven (11) players would be allowed on a team.
- **For 11/12U and 13/14U Teams – Will these teams need to be age pure?**
 - Yes. When submitting players for consideration, please note their league age designation. Most, if not all, tournaments are age pure.